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NEWS RELEASE

MERCEDES-BENZ DONATES BICYCLES

WHO: Chief Al A. Philippus, San Antonio Police Downtown Foot & Bicycle Patrol

Unit and Mercedes-Benz USA

WHAT: Bicycle Donation

WHEN: Thursday, May 24, 2001

1:00 p.m.

WHERE: City Council Chambers

WHY: On Thursday, May 24, 2001, at City Council Chambers, Chief Al A.

Philippus along with the San Antonio Police Department Downtown Foot & Bicycle Patrol Unit will accept ten new Mercedes-Benz Bicycles valued at \$20,000.00 from Mr. Ron Gold, President of Mercedes-Benz of San

Antonio in conjunction with Mercedes-Benz USA.

This very generous donation will further enhance the capabilities of the Downtown Foot & Bicycle Patrol Unit and the work they perform. These bicycles will also further support the goals of minimizing the fear of crime and decreasing criminal activity in the downtown and surrounding

community.